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**KILLEEN MAN SENTENCED TO 30 YEARS IN FEDERAL PRISON FOR SEXUAL
EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN**

United States Attorney Johnny Sutton announced that in Waco, Texas, United States District Judge Walter S. Smith, Jr., sentenced 43-year-old Wesley Paul Whitcomb this afternoon to 30 years in federal prison for sexually exploiting his two step children.

On May 19, 2005, Whitcomb pled guilty to an indictment which consisted of only one count of sexual exploitation of children. In his plea, the defendant admitted that in June 2004, he knowingly submitted numerous live webcam images of sexual activity involving his two step children to internet chat rooms.

On June 8, 2005, Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials executed a search warrant at the defendant's residence in Killeen, Texas. Whitcomb was also arrested at that time.

Judge Smith also fined Whitcomb \$2,500 and ordered that he be placed under supervised release for a period of five years after completing his prison term.

This case was prosecuted for the government by Assistant United States Attorney Greg Gloff.

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